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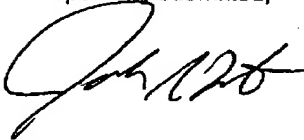
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**•Comments:**

Examiner Easthorn,

Please find attached an Amendment after Final Rejection for U.S. Application No. 09/965,538.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted to Group Art Unit 2832, 703-872-9319, addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP ART UNIT 2832**

**PATENT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>Applicant:</b> Takayo KATSUKI et al.	<b>Art Unit:</b> 2832
<b>Serial No.:</b> 09/965,538	
<b>Filed:</b> September 27, 2001	<b>Examiner:</b> K. Easthorn
<b>Title:</b> SURFACE-MOUNTABLE PTC THERMISTOR AND MOUNTING METHOD THEREOF	

**FAX RECEIVED****AMENDMENT****MAR 13 2003**

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in accordance with the requirements of the Official Gazette Notice "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted," Official Gazette, vol. 1267 no. 4 (Feb. 25, 2003), and thus the requirement of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 that a clean copy of the claims be provided to the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office have been waived. A new complete claims set is provided herewith in accordance with the requirements of the Official Gazette Notice "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted," Official Gazette, vol. 1267 no. 4 (Feb. 25, 2003).

In response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows: